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THE REVOLUTION.	HOME POLITICS.	OBITUARY.	SECRETARY KNOX.	BRITAIN AND GERMANY.	BRITAIN'S NAVY.	SCULLING.
ABDICATON AT LAST. (Our Own Correspondent.) Shanghai, Feb. 12, 6.25 p.m. The Abdication Edict has been issued. THREE EDICTS. Shanghai, Feb. 13, 9.35 a.m. Three Edicts have been issued. By the first the Throne accepts the Republic. In the second the Throne accepts the conditions agreed upon by Yuan Shih-kai and the Republicans. The third informs the Viceroy and Governors that the Throne retires from political power to meet the wishes of the people and instructs the provincial officials to keep the people quiet. HOMER LEA DYING. Shanghai, Feb. 13, 9.35 a.m. "General" Homer Lea is dying from diabetes at Nanking. TROUBLE AT WEI-HAI-WEI. London, Feb. 12, 7.30 p.m. Reuter learns that a local insurrection has broken out at Wei-hai-wei. The Government has telegraphed permission to dispatch a company of British troops.—Reuter. REPUBLIC ACCEPTED. Bombay, Feb. 13, 7.30 a.m. Reuter's correspondent at Shanghai says that the Edict issued by the Throne accepts the Republic. Two further edicts have been issued in which the Throne accepts the conditions agreed to between Yuan Shih-kai and the Republicans and informs the Viceroy and Governors that the Throne retires from political power to meet the people's wishes. The Throne further instructs the provincial chiefs to keep the people quiet.—Reuter. AWAITING THE NEWS. London, Feb. 12, 6.10 a.m. Reuter's correspondent at Peking states that an Edict establishing a Republican Government in China is expected to-day.	THE UNLUCKY 13. [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, Feb. 13, 2.50 p.m. Parliament was originally fixed to meet on Feb. 13, but the Nationalists feared the unlucky 13th, and consequently the opening was postponed till the 14th. —Reuter. LOYD GEORGE'S DEFENCE. London, Feb. 12, 6.25 p.m. Addressing a crowded meeting in the Opera House under the auspices of the National Liberal Federation, Mr. Lloyd George reviewed the whole situation as affecting the Insurance Act. He denounced the plague of misrepresentation from Tory platforms and combated in detail numerous criticisms of the Act. DOCTORS CONDEMNED. He pointed out that already half the working-classes had accepted the scheme of which he explained the benefits in exhaustive fashion. He concluded by condemning vehemently the Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons for refusing to meet the Government. It was, he said, an unparalleled example of rude ineptitude. A WARNING. Mr. Lloyd George warned the doctors that, if they resisted the scheme, medical institutions and dispensaries would swarm into existence. If they imagined that their refusal would kill the Act they were utterly mistaken. It would only mean that the clauses in the Act protecting the profession would be lost.—Reuter. AN UNPLEASANT EXPERIENCE. London, Feb. 12, 5.35 a.m. Lord Pirrie, while proceeding to London, was pelted by a crowd at Farns with rotten eggs, herrings and small bags of flour. His clothes were ruined and he had to be rescued by the police. [Lord Pirrie is chairman of Harland and Wolff, the famous Belfast shipbuilding firm, and Comptroller of the Household of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.]	EARL OF LEICESTER. [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, Feb. 12, 7.30 p.m. The death is announced of the Earl of Leicester. A service is to be held in Westminster Abbey on Friday.—Reuter. [Lord Leicester was the third Earl. He was born in 1848 and became Colonel of the Scots Guards. He served in the Egyptian campaign of 1882, the Sudan expedition of 1895, and the Boer war.] BARON WANDSWORTH. The death has occurred of Lord Wandsworth, first baron of that name.—Reuter. [Lord Wandsworth, who was also a Viscount of Portugal, was a Liberal and was M.P. for the Stowmarket Division of Suffolk at the time of his death. He published a Bill for the Better Housing of the Working Classes in Rural Districts and a pamphlet on the Parliamentary Franchise.] FAMOUS FRENCH INVENTOR. The death is announced of the famous French engineer, M. Delaunay Belleville, the inventor of a famous type of boiler.—Reuter.	SIGNIFICANT VISIT. [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, Feb. 13, 1 p.m. Reuter's correspondent at Washington says that the visit of Secretary Knox to the Caribbean countries is regarded as having a world-wide significance, owing to its connection with the Panama Canal. REMOVING SUSPICIONS. It is understood that it will remove the suspicions of the Central American Governments concerning supposed projects of territorial aggrandisement on the part of the United States while emphasising the over-intensifying political reasons for averting any European encroachment on Caribbean countries.—Reuter. NO DESERTION. [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, Feb. 12, 8.50 p.m. At a conference of English Nonconformists in London called to discuss Home Rule, Sir Edward Carson said that Home Rule meant the extinction of Protestantism in Ireland, which no so-called guarantees could possibly prevent. He was confident that the Nonconformists of England would never desert their co-religionists.—Reuter. GIFT TO BRITISH MUSEUM. The British Museum has received, in commemoration of the Darbar, from Mr. Henry Van den Bergh, through the National Art Collections Fund, the collection of Mohammedan coins of India, formed by Mr. George Blenby during a long residence in that country. This generous gift not only doubles this series of coins in the National Collection, but also places it far ahead numerically and in completeness of any other collection either in India or on the Continent. It numbers 173 specimens in gold, 1,480 in silver, and 994 in copper, and forms a magnificent record of the history of India from A.D. 1186, when the victorious Muhammad bin Sam finally crushed the opposition of the Rajputs and became the first Mohammedan ruler of India, till the deposition of Bahadur Shah in 1857.	HALDANE LEAVES. [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, Feb. 12, 2 p.m. Reuter's Berlin correspondent reports that Lord Haldane and his brother left Berlin last night for London. There was no one at the station to see him off except a handful of journalists. The private character of the visit has thus been emphasised to the end. MORE CONFERENCES. Speculation has been aroused in the German papers by the fact that Sir Ernest Cassel arrived in Berlin on the same train as Lord Haldane and left on Saturday after prolonged conferences with Lord Haldane. ARMAMENTS NOT DISCUSSED. The "Daily Mail's" Berlin correspondent has official authority for stating that the question of Naval armaments was not discussed with form. It was mutually agreed before hand that the subject was not debatable as far as Germany was concerned. LABOUR TROUBLES. [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, Feb. 12, 8.3 a.m. The dockers of Manchester resumed work on receipt of the promise that their grievances shall be considered.—Reuter. RED CROSS SOCIETY OF CHINA. Recognised by Geneva. The Red Cross Society of China, of which an international working committee was appointed at the meeting held in the Municipal Hall on November 16, has received from the Marquis Matsukata, the President of the Red Cross Society of Japan, a telegram, announcing the recognition of this society by the International Association of Red Cross Societies at Geneva. The Red Cross Society of Japan had offered its good offices in the matter to the Red Cross Society of China; and the Marquis Matsukata was good enough to send to Geneva a full account of the history and the work of the Chinese Society. The telegram reads as follows:— "Received following telegram from Ador, President, International Committee Red Cross Geneva accepting declaration contained in your letter of December 28 will notify under your responsibility to the Central Committee of other Red Cross Societies of China, with its Central Committee in Shanghai. Thank you for your useful intervention, January 12, 1912. Geneva, Switzerland."	LIBERALS PERTURBED. [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, Feb. 12, 5.35 a.m. The Liberal papers are still perturbed over Mr. Churchill's speech at Glasgow. The "Daily Chronicle" regrets the "luxury" passage as "unfortunate and inopportune," though it was meant innocently. The paper trusts that the endeavours to reach an understanding between England and Germany will not be marred by the chance phrase of a Minister afflicted with a literary temperament. The "Daily News" demands to know whether the forecast of an eventual increase in the ratio of naval superiority was previously approved by the Cabinet, and censures Mr. Churchill for assuming that an improvement of Anglo-German relations can only follow an agreement regarding naval armaments instead of vice versa. LATE TELEGRAMS. From the "China Press." Washington, February 8.—In view of the steady and persistent growth of the movement to renominiate Theodore Roosevelt for the presidency, Representative James Sladen of Texas has introduced a bill in the House of Representatives, in accordance with the tradition, forbidding any president to serve a third term. The measure was defeated by a vote of 90 to 51. 181 of the democrats not voting. Many of the Congressmen who voted against the bill declared that everyone is morally bound to respect the tradition, but it should not be the subject of legislation. It is reported in Washington that Senator La Follette is losing ground in his campaign for the republican presidential nomination, but he refuses to support Roosevelt unless the latter makes an open declaration of his position and principles. The United States Government is making elaborate preparations owing to the continuation of disorder in Mexico. In well-informed circles it is predicted that unless the Madero government soon succeeds in bringing order in the north, the United States will intervene. Already 30,000 United States troops are being prepared for service on the Mexican border, and the order for mobilization may come any day. President Madero has ignored the note recently sent by President Taft demanding that ample protection be afforded to Americans and foreign interests. A large fleet of American warships is being assembled at Guantanamo, the naval station on the southern coast of Cuba. General Orozco is leading the present revolt against the Madero government. He was commander of the government forces at Juarez during the last revolution, and his life was saved by Madero on the capitulation of the city to the Maderistas. It is reported that the State of Chihuahua is seething with revolution and intends to declare its independence. A band of armed Mexicans has been captured by American troops near El Paso, on American soil.	ARNST AND BARRY. [Service to the "Telegraph."] London, Feb. 12, 8.3 a.m. Richard Arnst will row on the Thames in June for the championship of the world.—Reuter. LOOTING OF THE KUALA. Punitive Expedition from Aden to Socotra. A despatch from Bombay, dated January 24, printed in the "Rangoon Gazette," says:—The recent stranding and looting of the Kuala on the coast of Socotra is likely to lead to action being taken in the near future to enforce upon the Sultan of that place his duty towards the British Government. In all probability an expedition will shortly leave Aden for Socotra, consisting of a cruiser of the East Indies Squadron and the R. E. M. S. Dalhousie carrying General Sir James Bell, Resident, and a company of native infantry from the Aden garrison. This force will be in a position to administer punishment to the Sultan of Socotra, unless an apology is forthcoming together with the restitution of or payment for the loot taken from the Kuala. When the vessel stranded the master sent the mate, the second engineer, and the foreman to Aden. had by this time been abandoned by the master and the rest of the crew. They were subsequently picked up by a foreign steamer and taken to Singapore. It was found by the leading party from the Medan that the Kuala had been looted in a very systematic manner by the tribesmen living on the island. All the boats' brasswork, piping and wood lining had been taken out and the copper and iron piping throughout had been taken away. The engine valve had been removed and even the safety valve's spring taken away. Upon the arrival of the salvage party the Sultan's presence was invited; he he rules under British suzerainty and is in receipt of a Government subsidy, in consideration of which he undertakes to protect lives and property in the island. He adopted a curious attitude, for when it was shown to him that some of the ship's gear was lying about the beach he offered to allow the party to take it away only on condition of a price being paid for it. He provided a small guard, but a charge was to be made for this also. When the salvage party declined the Sultan's terms for a bodyguard he replied that a party of tribesmen had come in from the mainland who intended to commit further robbery on the Kuala, but the skipper was not to be bluffing into paying more money for the guard. Salvage work was started by the Perim Coal Company, which sent the Shaikh Barkhud to the Kuala. On December 5 she was floated, the hulk in her cemented after about a month's work. The damage done to the Kuala by her stranding is small compared with that done, it is estimated, by the lunkers. It will cost a lakh and a half of rupees to refit her completely. The Shaikh Barkhud towed the Kuala to Bombay, making about six knots an hour, and on Wednesday left Bombay for Perim Island with the object of salvaging the stranded vessel. Kakhirs besides the Kuala, the Shaikh Barkhud, which was known formerly as H.M.S. 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On Naval Matters.

But while disagreeing with Mr. Churchill on some points in his Glasgow address, we are in through accord with his repudiation of the idea that a naval loan should be raised in Great Britain in order to make a great and supreme effort to beat all our rivals out of the field. A Navy built on loan would be a Navy not worth having, for though we might reap a temporary advantage the time would come when that loan had to be paid off, and then we should find that we had merely stepped into a quagmire of difficulties from whence extrication would be next to impossible. Great Britain is fully prepared to make great sacrifices for her Navy, and serious though the strain may prove we do not imagine that she will squeal or call aloud for help. For that is not the temper of the race. The burden is laid upon us by the exigencies of modern civilization, and much as we may deplore the wide departure from the Christian code of ethics which the bellicose tendencies of the age involves, we must face the facts of life and steer our course accordingly.

Daily Press.

Terms of Peace.

Nevertheless, the terms offered go a long way towards establishing an approximation to constitutional monarchy. It may be likened to the situation which obtained prior to the revolution in Japan. The Shogun was the virtual ruler of the country; the Mikado, a popular deity living in the seclusion of his palace and taking no active part in the administration of the Government. With a Republican Government prepared to act so generously to their foes, we may well regard the end of the struggle as in sight. That there is confidence in a peaceful outcome of the negotiations is indicated by the fact that notwithstanding the decision of the Republican Government not to further extend the armistice, it was actually renewed on the 4th inst. for seven days. That period has now expired, and still there is no news of a definite settlement; but as in the meantime Yuan Shih-kai has been directed by an Imperial Edict to "form a Republic with the help of the Southern Republic," the discussions which must necessarily take place upon a proposal of this character sufficiently account for the delay in the issue of the Edict of abdication and the proclamation of peace which according to latest advices, are expected to-day.

South China Morning Post.

Naval Power.

It had been hoped, by the promoters, that the Naval Prize Bill would pave the way to an international agreement for the limitation of armaments; but the rejection of the measure by the House of Lords, under all the circumstances, quite justifiably closed that avenue of concord for the present, at any rate. But the outlook is not altogether of gloomy aspect. There are even now whispers of a probable Anglo-German entente. Should such a happy consummation materialise, two great peoples will rejoice exceedingly. And with a genuine amity established, to the elimination of jealousy and mistrust, an agreement on the lines so eminently to be desired could more readily be arrived at. At present, however, too much talk and too little purpose. The nations grave by their mutual animosities, and the nations that are mutually disarming, are for the moment, at least, not yet ready to build.

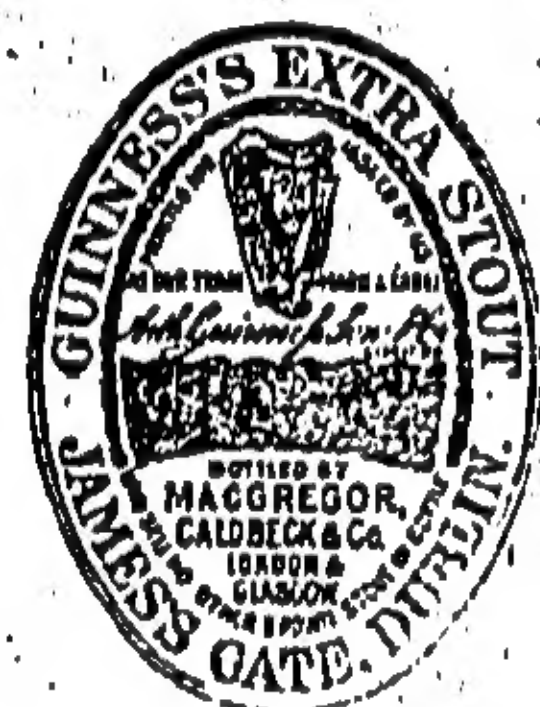
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NAVAL STRENGTH—AND THE WRONG WORD.

With all his literary training—perhaps, indeed, because of it—Mr. Churchill appears to have been unfortunate in the choice of a word at Glasgow. His use of the term "luxury," as applied to the German navy, appears somewhat to have annoyed the German newspapers. Qualified as it was, of course, the word was not the most apt that could have been chosen; but to Mr. Churchill's meaning little exception can be taken. His point is that while to Britain a strong navy is not merely essential but a matter of life or death, to Germany it is less necessary to existence. However that may be phrased, it is true. We made the same point here not long ago, and we cannot see any real ground for difference there. Nor do we believe that the irritation created by the use of an unfortunate word will be more than momentary. The German people are possessed of a strong good sense which will prevent them from taking too seriously a mere platform phrase.

Indeed, the speech would probably have passed with little comment had it not coincided with Lord Haldane's visit, of which much appears to be expected, to Germany. On the face of it, it seems singularly like one member of Cabinet embarrassing another, but inasmuch as Mr. Churchill must have spoken with the full authority of the Cabinet we may assume that Lord Haldane's position was carefully considered before the tone of the speech was decided upon. Either, therefore, Mr. Churchill has spoken outside the lines sanctioned by the Cabinet, which is extremely unlikely, or the speech and Lord Haldane's visit fit into each other in a fashion that is not clear to those outside diplomatic circles.

The chief point of the speech, of course, is that the Navy is stated to be comfortably superior to others and is to remain so. That is good news which every British subject will learn with satisfaction. But, however superior Britain's strength may be, it should be even more pronounced when the Naval War Staff comes to full fruition. The archives of the Admiralty contain a great and useful volume of material concerning the successful conduct of naval war which has never been turned to account. Reports of admirals who have conducted manoeuvres, reports, too, of British officers who have watched foreign campaigns, have been laid aside and forgotten. They have never been digested because the administrative staff at the Admiralty had not the time—perhaps lacked the training—necessary to digest them. That body of material the War Staff should be able to turn to account. The lessons of strategy change but little and hints from the great Commanders of the past may be studied with profit to-day. The worth of new inventions, as applied to purposes of strategy, will now be more fairly and fully considered than before. It should not again be readily possible to perpetrate a blunder similar to that of universally adopting the ram after Lissa. A staff of trained officers should reduce the chances of such a blunder to a minimum. The full worth of the new War Staff will not be experienced for a year or two, but there seems every likelihood of its simply justifying its existence in time.

DAY BY DAY.

To tyrannize where there can be no opposition is the extreme of baseness.

To-day Paper.
Woman's World and the Photographic Competition coupon appear to-day on page 3. Home Football results will be found on page 8.

Another body has been found by the police in the Harbour. In this instance it was that of a Chinese woman.

The dead body of a female child, a victim to smallpox, has been found by the police on the hillside at Shaikwan.

The Boy Scouts movement has been honoured by the conferment of a Royal Charter, and will be known as the Boy Scouts Association.

In the case of the Chinese who was charged yesterday, at the Assizes, with armed robbery in the New Territory, the hearing was continued to-day and the prisoner was discharged.

Lai Chun was fined \$3 or seven days' hard labour at the Marine Court, to-day for disobeying the orders of the Harbour Master by dragging without permission in Central Fairway, on the 12th inst.

At the Marine Court, to-day, Ho Chuon, Ho Ti, Kwok Sai and Chan Yau, were each fined \$5 or fourteen days for unlawfully mooring their boats within one hundred yards of low water mark in a prohibited place during prohibited hours on the 12th inst.

At the Marine Court, this morning before Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N., Li Fuk, master of cargo boat 532 and Wong Yee, a boat woman were charged with mooring their craft in such a manner so as to obstruct the Wing Lok Street steps, on the 12th inst. A fine of \$10 in each instance was imposed with the alternative of one month's imprisonment.

Ignorance No Plea.
Lam Kin, owner of a licensed junk was ordered to pay \$30 or go to prison for two months with hard labour, at the Marine Court, this morning, for not reporting himself on arrival and for having previously left the waters without a special permit or clearance. Defendant pleaded ignorance of law.

A Youthful Thief.
A fifteen-year-old boy appeared before Mr. Irving, at the Magistracy, this morning, charged with stealing \$9 from a shop till in Yaumati. From the evidence it appeared that defendant went to the shop and ordered some rice, and whilst the proprietor was making up the order, he put his hand into the drawer and extracted the sum mentioned. The bench ordered him to receive ten strokes of the birch and forty-eight hours' detention.

Successful Concert.
Thanks to the capable organization of Mrs. Tuxford a capital concert, to augment the funds of the Seamen's Mission, was held in the concert room of that institution last night. The following ladies and gentlemen were responsible for the various items of entertainment which received flattering applause in every instance:—Master Eder, Mr. Randall, Miss Kellie, Mrs. Kew, Mr. C. D. Silas, Mrs. Pollow, Mr. Lake, Mrs. Hill, Mr. Walker, Mr. Hore, Mr. Elliott, and Mr. M. D. Silas. The programme included a sketch from W. W. Jacobs.

The 26th Punjabis.
The 26th Punjabis arrived by the troopship Dufferin to-day from Karachi. Those on board included: Major and Mrs. L. B. Walton, Major O. H. Lawson, Capt. G. O. Turnbull, Capt. E. A. Maude, Lieut. G. W. Anderson, H. B. Drysdale, E. J. Torrie, H. C. W. Dillon, J. D. Fulton, E. H. V. Hodge I.M.S., Lieut. S. M. Cookson and W. F. Haynes of the 21st Punjabis; Capt. and Mrs. P. D. Saxton, Capt. and Mrs. Elliott, Major and Mrs. F. D. Lumsden and Miss Lumsden, Major E. Henderson, Bandmaster Williams and Mrs. Williams and 17 native officers.

The rank and file number 809 with 96 followers.

The Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ltd., inform us that the total output of the Company's three mines for the week ending Jan. 27, amounted to 34,248.36 tons, and the sales during the period to 30,169.80 tons.

The following is from the "N. C. Daily News" of Feb. 9:—Mr. Fairbank, a surgeon on board a British man of war lying in the river, was yesterday afternoon seized with a fit whilst walking along the Bund near to Kiukiang Road. Happily a number of sailors saw the incident, and whilst one of their number ran for the ambulance, the remainder formed a circle and kept off the inquisitive natives. Subsequently the sick man was removed to the hospital, where he recovered, and after the wounds occasioned by the fall, had been dressed he was conveyed to his ship.

H.M.S. Archer, one of the five special destroyers building for the British Admiralty by Messrs. Yarrow, of Glasgow, had a very successful official full-speed trial on Wednesday, January 17 on the Skelmorlie deep water measured mile at the mouth of the Clyde. Although the weather was exceptionally bad, a mean speed of 30.3 knots was attained during a continuous run of eight hours, thus exceeding the contract speed of 28 knots by 2.3 knots. Throughout the trial the whole of the machinery worked perfectly. The special feature of interest was the boiler installation, the boilers being fitted with Yarrow's patent system of superheating; the average superheat during the trial was 94 degrees Fahrenheit, from which a very appreciable gain in economy was obtained.

The Revolution and Finance.

The following is from the "China Press" of Feb. 9:—The proposed loan of Tls. 10,000,000 to be made to the Republican government through the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Co., is temporarily held up, owing to dissatisfaction among the stockholders. It has been disclosed that there were irregularities in the recent meeting at Chang Su Ho's Garden, and that a quorum of stockholders was not present. However, so confident are the promoters that the deal will eventually be made that the debenture notes have been printed.

In some circles the further rise in the price of silver yesterday was attributed to the expectations, by holders of silver, of an early settlement of the troubles in China, and the prospects of a loan. The Republican officials are watching the price of silver very closely, realizing the loss through exchange which they will suffer if compelled to expend a huge gold loan in silver, with the metal at its present price, and prospects of repayment at a normal basis.

Gallant Rescue by European P.C.

A gallant action falls to be recorded to the credit of E. P. C. Baker, of the Singapore, says the "Straits Times" of Feb. 6, and continues:—He was on duty in the neighbourhood of Johnston's Pier on Saturday afternoon when his attention was attracted by the shouts of people on the pier. The cause was the imminent danger of a Chinaman who had evidently attempted to commit suicide and who was now struggling in the water. E. P. C. Baker did not stop to lighten himself, but, throwing off his top, he plunged in and grasped the drowning man. Taking his burden by the shoulders he swam on his back for the steps, but at this juncture a Malay constable came alongside with a sampan, into which the rescued man was placed. Once on the pier, the officer commenced efforts at resuscitation, in which he was joined a few minutes later by Captain McKenzie Skinner, R.A.M.C., who had seen the situation from the Club opposite.

The life that was left in the man was encouraged and he was shortly afterwards removed to the General Hospital in an ambulance, still, however, unconscious. E. P. C. Baker's conduct is being brought to the notice of the authorities, who will, no doubt, show their appreciation of his gallantry in some tangible form. He already holds a medal and certificate for life saving.

SANITARY BOARD.

Small Pox Patients.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board held this afternoon the Medical Officer of Health submitted a minute relative to the removal of small pox patients to the Kwong Wah Hospital at Kowloon.

Ng Hon-tek minutes:—I ask for information. How public vaccinators are employed in Hongkong and Kowloon? How are they paid and how many extra men are employed during the epidemic time? What steps are taken to enforce vaccination in schools and amongst government employees?

Mr. Lau Chu-pak:—This is a separate hospital for small pox patients, specially built for that purpose. It should be allowed to receive patients immediately.

Hon. Mr. Chatham:—The necessary resolution should be passed.

The Water Supply.

Mr. Bowley moved:—That in view of the new roads and increased traffic in the vicinity of the Filter Beds and Service Reservoirs this Board is of opinion that it is necessary in order to protect the water supply of the City from contamination and in the interests of the Public Health of the Colony:—

(1.) To enclose the Albany Filter Beds and Reservoir by erecting: (a.) a brick wall 6 feet in height in the place of the open iron railing recently erected along the Western coping of the new road skirting the eastern extremity of the Filter Beds, (b.) a wall or unclimbable fence from the Southern extremity of the wall mentioned in (a) to the entrance to the Ladies' Recreation Club with a gate at the western extremity of such wall or fence, (c.) a wall or unclimbable fence at the North West corner of the enclosure.

(2.) To enclose the Filter Beds and tanks below Bowen Road and at the West Point with walls or unclimbable fences.

Dr. Fitzwilliams minutes:—Has there been anything done towards supplying funds for carrying out the proposals?

Creating a Precedent.

An application was dealt with for permission to erect two urinals at a house in the Bonham Strand. Mr. Bowley:—If the application is granted every Chinese Hong will be in a position to claim similar facilities. If granted should not the power to remove be reserved?

Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett:—The application should be deferred for reasons which I have repeatedly given to the Board.

Lau Chu-pak:—It is certainly better to allow urinals to be erected in Chinese homes and restaurants and to compel the Chinese to use the drains in their houses.

Hon. Mr. Chatham:—I am in favour of granting subject to the provision of an independent water supply and power of removal in the event of the urinals not being maintained in a proper manner.

A Question of Ceilings.

Correspondence was laid on the table relative to the removal of ceilings from houses in Staunton Street.

Mr. Bowley:—Should not the legal point raised be referred to the Crown Solicitor?

Lau Chu-pak:—I understand the ceilings on the top floor have in most cases been left undisturbed. It is perfectly true that top floors without ceilings are unbearable in summer. Exemption should be granted.

Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett:—I agree with Lau Chu-pak as to the objections to removing ceilings in the top floor.

Hon. Mr. Chatham:—The M.O.H. has requested that the ceilings be permitted on the top floors subject to the closing up of any ventilating openings. I agree to this.

A telegram from New York on January 26 to the "Mainichi" stated that two members of the party in favour of the re-election of Mr. Taft as President of the United States paid Mr. Roosevelt a visit that day, in the hope of ascertaining the ex-President's views respecting the coming Presidential election. These gentlemen, however, failed to elicit any definite statement of opinion from him.

TELEGRAMS.

BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

LORD HALDANE'S VISIT.

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

Bombay, Feb. 13, 7.30 a.m.
Lord Haldane told the journalists that he found the friendliest feeling everywhere.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin says that it is semi-officially stated that Lord Haldane came to ascertain whether anything, and what, might be done to mitigate the undoubted tension between the two countries. It is unlikely that any definite agreements were reached, but it is quite certain that the question of armaments was not raised.

"WAIT AND SEE."

Indeed, he adds, it is impossible to find any formula on which serious discussion regarding armaments could be based. One must wait and see whether the information Lord Haldane takes back will materialise in tangible proposals in the course of further diplomatic discussions.

Anyhow the visit will do service in dispelling Mr. Churchill's idea that the German Navy is a luxury.

A BUSY DAY.

Lord Haldane had a busy day in consultation first with Mr. L. Harcourt and then with Mr. Churchill who afterwards conferred with Mr. Lloyd George.

Last night Lord Haldane met the Cabinet at Downing Street.

PORTUGAL'S POSITION.

The Portuguese Legation informs Reuter that Portugal has no intention whatever of selling any of her colonies. It also says that the report that Portugal is contemplating a loan on the guarantee of her Colonies is baseless.—Reuter.

THE WEST RIVER.

British Gunboat Fired On.

A report has been received of an interchange of shots between West River pirates and H. M. gunboat Sandpiper, one of the vessels engaged in patrol work. The pirates would appear to have opened fire upon a junk, which was being towed by a launch said to have been flying the American flag, though confirmation of this could not be obtained. Shots were fired at the Sandpiper also, but fortunately no-one on board was injured, as these vessels of necessity carry a considerable quantity of coal which has to be stacked in bags on deck. The bullets struck these bags. The Sandpiper opened fire and soon silenced the pirates, but what actual damage was done is not known.

THE ARBITRATION CASE.

This morning in the Chief Justice's Court, before the Chief Justice Sir Francis Piggott, the case of arbitration between the owners of Marine Lots at Kowloon and the Government, arising out of the construction of the Harbour Refuge, was continued.

Mr. Shelton Hooper again went into the box and continued under the examination of Mr. Eldon Potter for the Crown.

According to witness a valuation made in 1902, put the ground at a value of 62.1-2 cents per superficial, but claimants were now claiming at the rate of \$5.77 per foot.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Race Weather.

One of those confirmed pessimists who always look upon the dark side of things has pointed out the rainfall of last night and this morning. It was inevitable he said. It might be fine for months, but let the date of a race-meeting approach and every cloud wandering over Zanzibar or Alaska would heed the summons to assemble over Hongkong. This, by the way, is endowing Hongkong with an importance in the eyes of the Clerk of the Weather, which it no doubt deserves, but is scarcely recorded. It is true nevertheless that the Chinese New Year meeting is very frequently a damp affair, but this time the Jockey Club Committee has scored a point over the Clerk of the Weather. The meeting was originally fixed for Feb. 13, 14 and 15 and of this due note was no doubt taken, as rain began to fall last evening. But the postponement for a week was evidently unnoticed and there is a possibility that the Clerk of the Weather will have exhausted his watery wrath before the 18th.

Nationalist Superstition.

The statement that the re-assembling of Parliament has been delayed for a day because the Nationalists were a bit superstitious over the unlucky 13th, makes one smile. There is something that tickles in the idea of Mr. Redmond making heavy representations to the Government that they must really alter the date because the members from Ireland who went Home Rule were a bit jumpy over it. The Cabinet held a meeting a day or two ago, the cables told us, perhaps to debate on this profoundly important matter. Better things are expected from educated men. One would as readily expect Lord Lansdowne to carry a potato in his pocket for rheumatism (a "cure" often recommended) or Mr. Asquith to let the House go hang for a day because he spilled some salt at breakfast.

A Test Record.

The M.C.C. team has given the Australians something to think about in the fourth test match. Yesterday they established a new test match record by putting up a total of 580. At present Australia have to collect the nice little lot of 300 runs before they can put the Englishmen in again. Most likely they will do it, too. They put up a grim second innings in the third test, and they will probably come along with about 500 now. But they cannot hope to win. Douglas won this game when he won the toss for the first time in four tries. That reminds one of a curious incident in one of the earlier Test matches in Australia, in which the English team was captained by W. G. Grace. Australia had won the toss for the first two matches, and had also won the games. By this time W. G. Grace had learned the story that Blackham, the Australian captain, was supposed to be in possession of a lucky halfpenny which he always used for the toss. On the occasion of the third match, when the rival captains met to toss, Blackham again produced his lucky halfpenny. Grace, however, promptly dived his hand into his pocket, and, pulling out his own coin, insisted that Blackham should call to him for a change. Blackham did call, and lost the toss—and lost the game.

High Silver.

Old timers would regard with scorn any excitement on account of the dollar reaching the two shilling mark. But times have changed and silver has been bashfully remaining in the background for so long that a restoration to what might be inaccurately, but conveniently called "par," becomes quite an event. It is usual for silver to rise at the approach of the Chinese New Year, but there are other elements at work. We have already referred to the operations of the speculative group in India, which was holding large quantities of silver. Another reason may be the expected boom in China when political matters settle down. Good judges incline to the belief that the appreciation of silver will continue.

COMPANY REPORT.

Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.

The following is the report of the Directors of the above Company for presentation at the Twenty-third Annual General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on Feb. 15, 1912, at 4.30 p.m.:

The Directors have pleasure in presenting their Twenty-third Annual Report together with a Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31, 1911.

The working account for 1911 has a credit balance of Tls. 435,672.00, as compared with Tls. 426,043.16 for 1910. The gross rental show a decrease of Tls. 8,059.44, but against this there is a decrease in running expenses of Tls. 27,631.33, giving a net increase in rental of Tls. 19,571.89. The decrease in gross rental is largely owing to the general decrease in rents in foreign occupied property. Although the expenditure on repairs has been curtailed the Company's properties have all been maintained in their usual good state of repair. Interest account.—As stated in last year's report, and as approved by the shareholders at the last general meeting, interest on undeveloped land has been carried to the credit of improvements and renewals account. This account has now a credit balance of Tls. 60,209.45, being the difference between the Tls. 75,153.60 carried to its credit as stated above and the cost of certain improvements and renewals of a permanent character carried out during the year. It is proposed to credit improvements and renewals account this year with Tls. 78,363.40, being interest on undeveloped land for 1911. It is proposed to withdraw a further sum of Tls. 50,000.00 from the equalization of dividends fund, which will then stand at Tls. 200,000.00.

Profit and Loss Account.—The amount at the credit of profit and loss account, after adding Tls. 50,000.00 transferred from equalization of dividends fund and deducting the interim dividend paid in July last, is Tls. 329,503.22, which the Directors recommend for appropriation as follows:—

Final Dividend of 10 per cent. (making 11 per cent. for the year) on all fully paid-up shares... Tls. 234,000.00
Transfer to Improvements and Renewals Account... Tls. 78,363.40
Carry forward to new Account Tls. 17,139.70

329,503.22
Capital Account.—The differences in figures in capital account are due to interest on undeveloped land with the following principal exceptions:—

Hanbury Road Estate No. 5.—A creek has been culverted, giving the estate an improved road and a small area of additional land for building use in any re-development scheme.

Jinkeo Estate No. 6.—Alterations to No. 7, Jinkeo Road after use by the Shanghai Club and making good after the settlement of the new buildings on Calatralla Lots 20 and 27.

Hongkew Creek Estate No. 8.—Certain land has been purchased with a view to road extension.

Paoshan Estate No. 13.—A small area of land was purchased to square off B. C. Pao Lot 211.

Great Western Road No. 17.—The continuation of development as mentioned in previous reports.

Jessfield Road Estate No. 21.—Completion of the land purchase to connect this Estate with Edinburgh Road.

Zing Pang Estate No. 26.—One house has been completed and a second house commenced on lease. Additional frontage to Great Western Road has been acquired.

Mortgages.—Mortgage loans amount to Tls. 2,614,686.32, advanced against Real Estate and are fully covered.

Directors.—Mr. Pearce retires by rotation, but offers himself for re-election.

Auditor.—Mr. Wingrove retires, but offers himself for re-election.

F. Jenner Hogg,
Chairman.

SIGHT FOR THE BLIND.

Remarkable Operation in Paris.

By slow but sure steps science and human skill are widening the boundaries of the possible, and in no department of beneficent activity is this progress more apparent than in the domain of surgery. Not so long ago the chief aim of operative surgery was the removal of a damaged limb or the extirpation of a malignant growth. Then came what may, without irreverent presumption, be styled—creative surgery, when the object was restoration instead of destruction, when skin could be grafted, a severed nerve spliced, and even a damaged or useless organ repaired or replaced by a healthy one. It has remained for a clever French ophthalmic surgeon to give back sight to the blind. He has been successful in one case only; but what has been done once can be repeated.

Several months ago, Dr. Magitot made the daring experiment of grafting a human cornea, kept in a state of blackened vitality, upon the eye of a young man whose sight had been practically destroyed by lime. Numerous experiments had been previously made with corneas of animal origin, but they had all failed to give the desired result. Dr. Magitot made his daring attempt—and succeeded.

The transparent cornea of the eye is one of the most delicate of all the organic tissues. Very soon after death it becomes opaque. But by placing it in certain conditions as to "milieu" and temperature, scientists have succeeded in preserving it in a healthy condition—that is to say, alive—for several days. This discovery of the possibility of preservation of the cornea is doubtless destined to render incalculable services to suffering humanity.

Doctor's Experiment.

At the Academy of Sciences Professor Dastre performed the pleasing duty of describing the results of Dr. Magitot's daring operation. A youth aged 15 had almost lost the sight of one eye in consequence of a burn from hot lime. An opaque film entirely covered the cornea so that it became impossible for the rays of light to make even the faintest impression on the retina.

Seven months ago Dr. Magitot cut a small rectangular "window" in the diseased cornea, and into this he inserted a fragment of transparent tissue, obtained from an unfortunate patient who had lost his sight through another eye disease, that of glaucoma, but whose cornea remained intact. It had, however, to be removed owing to the pain which it caused him. Thus, what on the one hand constituted a relief for one patient, became a means of remedying the infirmity of another.

"The adherence of the tissues," said M. Dastre, "was complete in eight days. A transparent window had been placed in the opaque wall. A few weeks later the bandages were removed, and the young man was able to see sufficiently to walk about without assistance."

"For seven months this condition of things has persisted, and the sight of the damaged eye has reached one-tenth of the normal, which is enough to enable him to see and move about."

"These facts," M. Dastre continued, "are in accordance with those presented to the Biological Society by the learned French surgeon, Alexis Carrel, of the Rockefeller Institute of New York, on the possibility of preserving living tissues outside the human organism and afterwards transplanting them on other living organisms. Received with much reserve and amidst general incredulity, these statements have now been at least partially confirmed."

RATS!

Fishermen's Haul.

A party of Malay fishermen netting between the Lankawi Islands and Kedah a few days ago had a strange experience, a correspondent informs the "Pineau Gazette" of the 18th ult. The men saw something dark spread over a considerable surface of the water which they thought to be a big school of fish. It was surrounded by nets, but on dragging them in to close quarters the men discovered, much to their disappointment and consternation, that they had onmeshed a huge colony of rats, thousands in number. The migrating rodents, it is surmised, were swimming across from the islands, where food supplies had run short, to the mainland in order to feed on the Kodah paddy. The fishermen were at first afraid that the rats would attempt to crawl into their dugouts, but they made no effort to do this. Much to their relief the men succeeded in releasing their undesirable "catch" and hastily made off with their nets to try for better luck elsewhere.

NAVAL WORKS AT SASEHO.

The "Asahi" says that the dock which is under construction at the naval port of Saseho, measures at the bottom 220 ft. more than the largest one in Yokosuka, 286 ft. more than that in Kure, and 49 ft. more than the one of the Mitsu Bishi Dockyard at Nagasaki. In depth, it exceeds those of other docks by from eight to ten feet. While its construction was almost finished in June last, the dredging of the entrance is now being pushed forward and will not be finished till about June.

There are two more docks in course of construction at the Naval base and an extensive quay is also being built there which is designed to accommodate seven of the largest battleships at one time. This requires an outlay of 1,789,000 yen and eight years' work. It is said to be the largest engineering feat that Japan has ever attempted.

STOCKBROKERS' ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

NOTICE.

THE COMMITTEE has decided that the following shall be the settling days for 1912:—

TUESDAY, 30th January
WEDNESDAY, 24th February
FRIDAY, 20th March
MONDAY, 21st April
THURSDAY, 30th May
FRIDAY, 24th June
TUESDAY, 3rd July
FRIDAY, 30th August
FRIDAY, 27th September
WEDNESDAY, 30th October
FRIDAY, 24th November
MONDAY, 30th December

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DON'T FORGET.

Tuesday, Feb. 13.

At Home, Ministering Children's League, European Branch, Government House.

"Othello," Theatre Royal.

Wednesday, Feb. 14.

Dramatic Performance. St. Joseph's College.

"Jack and Gingles," Theatre Royal.

Portuguese Branch of Ministering Children's League, Government House.

Hongkong Church Missionary Association, annual meeting, St. Paul's College, 5.30 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 16.

Annual meeting Diocesan Refuge.

Ordinary annual meeting of Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., 11.30 a.m.

Dramatic Performance. St. Joseph's College, 9 p.m.

Rajput Sports, U. S. R. C. ground.

Saturday, Feb. 17.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Half yearly meeting.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., meeting, 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 20.

Hongkong Races—First Day.

Thursday, Feb. 22.

Hongkong Races—Second Day.

Friday, Feb. 23.

Hongkong Races—Third Day.

Saturday, Feb. 24.

Hongkong Races—Off Day.

Sunday, Feb. 25.

11 a.m. Volunteer Parade Service at St. John's Cathedral.

Friday, March 1.

Horticultural Society Show.

To-day's
Advertisements

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON
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THE Auction of the undermentioned goods has been postponed to 11 a.m. Wednesday, 14th inst., at the Kowloon Godown:—

W. & O. Nos. 1/55-56 packages Woodwork arrived per P. & O. S. S. "Palma" on 1st Aug., 1907.

EDWARD OSBOBNE,
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SHANGHAI	YANGTSANG	Thursday, 15th Feb., 10 a.m.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Saturday, 17th Feb., 2 p.m.
TIEN-TSIN	CHUPHUNG	Saturday, 24th Feb., 10 a.m.
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 Hongkong, 8th February, 1912.

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PROJECTED HOMEWARD SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

For	Steamship	DATE OF DEPARTURE
LONDON & ANTWERP	"CARMARTHENSHIRE"	23rd February
LONDON & ANTWERP	"GLAMORGANSHIRE"	15th March

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will depart from the Company's WING LOK WHARF at 9 a.m. Departure from Macao at 5 p.m.

FARES AS USUAL.

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There will be no steamer from Macao at 7.30 a.m. or steamers from Hongkong at 12.30 p.m. on Sunday, the 18th inst.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

Destinations	Steamers	Sailing Dates
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ & PORT SAID	TANGO MARU, Capt. K. Kawai, T. 8,000 KAMO MARU, Capt. H. Sommer, T. 9,000	WEDNESDAY, 14th Feb., Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 28th Feb., Daylight.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BATHURST	YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sekino, T. 6,000 NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, T. 6,000	FRIDAY, 16th Feb., at Noon. FRIDAY, 15th Mar., at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, T. 6,000 BOMBAY MARU, Capt. Noma, T. 5,070	WEDNESDAY, 14th Feb., at Noon. WEDNESDAY, 14th Feb.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MISHIMA MARU, Capt. Moses, T. 9,000	THURSDAY, 15th Feb., 11 a.m.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & CO. LONDON	HAIRATA MARU, Capt. H. Nonura, T. 5,000	THURSDAY, 22nd Feb.

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Steamer	Tons	Captain	From Hongkong
TANGO MARU	8,000	K. Kawai	Feb. 14th
KAMO MARU	9,000	F. L. Sommer	Feb. 28th
AKI MARU	7,000	K. Homma	Mar. 18th
MISHIMA MARU	9,000	A. C. Moses	Mar. 27th
KAGA MARU	7,000	M. Hagino	Apr. 10th
ATSUTA MARU	9,000	Wm. Thompson	Apr. 24th
HITACHI MARU	7,000	T. Yamawaki	May 8th
MIYASAKI MARU	9,000	T. Mura	May 22nd

FOR SEATTLE.

Steamer	Tons	Captain	From Hongkong
INABA MARU	7,000	S. Tomimaga	Feb. 27th
TAMBA MARU	7,000	K. Noda	Mar. 20th
SANUKI MARU	7,000		Apr. 9th
AWA MARU	7,000	T. Inizawa	Apr. 23rd
INABA MARU	7,000	S. Tomimaga	May 21st

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T. KUSUMOTO,

Manager.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers	To Sail
HAIPHONG (calls Hanoi for mails only)	"SINGAN"	14th Feb., 11 a.m.
AMOY	"YUNNAN"	14th " 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	16th " 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA & AUSTRALIAN PORTS	"OHANGSHA"	16th " 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	7th " M'night
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	20th " 4 p.m.

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For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama:

"Suavia" 18th Feb.

"Belgravia" 4th Mar.

"Sachsen" 10th Mar.

"C. Ferd. Laeisz" 30th Mar.

For Further Particulars, apply to—

HOMEWARD.

For Havre, Hamburg & Antwerp:

S.S. "Silezia" 16th Feb.

For Marseilles, Rotterdam & Hamburg:

S.S. "Saxonia" 17th Feb.

For Marseilles, Rotterdam & Hamburg:

S.S. "Ambia" 27th Feb.

For Rotterdam, Hamburg & Antwerp:

S.S. "Spacia" 1st Mar.

For Havre & Hamburg:

S.S. "Goldenberg" 5th Mar.

For Marseilles, Havre, Rotterdam & Hamburg:

S.S. "Prinzess" 14th Mar.

For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg:

S.S. "Silezia" 20th Mar.

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Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1912.

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HONGKONG—PHILIPPINES.

PHILIPPINES STEAMSHIP CO.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
ZAFIRO	4000	M. O. Smith	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	SATURDAY, 17th Feb., 4 p.m.
RUBI	4000	S. Crosby	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	THURSDAY, 29th Feb., 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage apply to

SHWAN TOMES & CO.

GENERAL MANAGERS

Hongkong 10th February, 1912.

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Regular Fortnightly Service between

JAVA, CHINA and JAPAN.

Steamer	From	Expected on or about	For	Will leave on or about
Tjilmanoeck	JAPAN	1st half Feb.	JAVA	1st half Feb.
Tjilmanoeck	JAVA	1st half Feb.	SHANGHAI	2nd half Feb.
Tjilmanoeck	SHANGHAI	1st half Feb.	JAVA	2nd half Feb.
Tjilmanoeck	JAVA	1st half Mar.	JAPAN	1st half Mar.
Tjilmanoeck	JAPAN	1st half Mar.	JAVA	1st half Mar.
Tjilmanoeck	JAVA	1st half Mar.	SHANGHAI	1st half Mar.
Tjilmanoeck	SHANGHAI	1st half Mar.	JAPAN	1st half Mar.
Tjilmanoeck	JAPAN	1st half Mar.	JAVA	1st half Mar.

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Imperial Japanese Trans-Pacific Mail Line.

SAN FRANCISCO LINE

Connecting with the Western Pacific Railway at San Francisco to all points in the United States and Canada and with Trans-Atlantic Lines to Europe.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to alteration)

Steamer	Tons	Captain	Date of sailing
S.S. "Chiyu Maru"	31,000	W. W. Groom	Feb. 16th, Noon.
S.S. "Nippon Maru"	31,000	A. G. Stevens	Mar. 8th, Noon.
S.S. "Tenyo Maru"	31,000	E. Bent	Mar. 16th, Noon.
S.S. "Shinyo Maru"	31,000	H. S. Smith	Apr. 9th, Noon.

These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Screws. All steamers carry Japanese Government wireless telegraph and post office.

The triple screw steamer "CHIYO MARU" will be despatched for San Francisco via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on FRIDAY, the 16th February, at Noon.

INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (Subject to Alteration)

Steamer	Tons	Date of Sailing
Kiyo Maru	17,500	Saturday, Feb. 17, Noon.
Bayo Maru	10,500	Tuesday, April 9, Noon.
Hongkong Maru	11,000	Friday, June 7, Noon.

The steamers "KIYO MARU" will be despatched for MEXICO, PERUVIAN and CHILEAN PORTS via KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, 17th Feb., at Noon.

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LOG BOOK.

Wreck Inquiries and Contempt.

Rather an interesting case has recently been heard by the Full Court of New South Wales. On October 2 a collision took place in Sydney Harbour between the steamship Taviuni, belonging to the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand, and the steamship Nera, owned by the Messageries Maritimes. On October 16 the Marine Court gave its decision after a formal inquiry, and suspended the certificate of Captain Beighton, the master of the Taviuni, for a period of six months. The "Sydney Morning Herald" published the judgment of the Court on October 17, and the following day a letter from a Captain Banks criticising the finding. On October 19 the same newspaper published a sub-leader and another article, in which the decision of the tribunal was the subject of further criticism, and a re-hearing of the case was suggested. As it happened, the parties to the collision had, on October 5 and October 8 respectively commenced cross-suits in Admiralty. What the Full Court had to determine, at the instance, first, of the Messageries Maritimes, and, secondly, of the Attorney-General was whether the newspaper had been guilty of contempt.

For the respondents it was stated that they were unaware that proceedings in Admiralty had been commenced, and the Court fully accepted the statement. Whether or not there can be contempt in the absence of such knowledge the Court held it unnecessary to determine, because, in its judgment, the articles were not calculated to interfere in the slightest degree with the fair trial of the Admiralty suits. It was impossible, said Mr. Justice Pinfold, to suggest that they would influence the judge, and useless to say that they would deter witnesses from giving evidence. The rule obtained by the Messageries Maritimes was therefore discharged, but without costs. The rule obtained by the Attorney-General was over summarily dealt with. The Court, indeed, described it as the outcome of an altogether unnecessary and unjustified application. The case for the Attorney-General was that the newspaper was guilty of contempt because the Governor, in exercising jurisdiction under the Navigation Act, was acting judicially, and was a Court of Justice; and, secondly, because the Governor might possibly refer the case back to the Marine Court for re-hearing. So little did the Court think of the argument that it discharged the rule with costs.

It is interesting to note the sequel. As a matter of fact, there was no much doubt about the propriety of the decision of the Marine Court which condemned the master of the Taviuni that a re-hearing was ordered. How far the comments of the "Sydney Morning Herald" helped to bring that about we cannot say, but the fact that a re-hearing was directed suggests at least the possibility of a miscarriage of justice at the original investigation. The judgments of tribunals of this class are certainly not always of such a character as to make it desirable that they should be invested with any special sanctity by the strained application of the law of contempt.

In St. Michael's Church at Stockton, in Warwickshire, on January 9, Archdeacon Colley entered a glass-covered coffin, and was carried around the aisles. On being brought back to the chancel he raised the cover and closed the service by pronouncing the benediction. Some of the congregation sobbed during the proceedings, while others became shocked and left the church. Subsequently the Archdeacon explained that he had been carried around the church in a coffin because he had wished to rehearse the scene he would like to take place after his death, and before his remains were sent to the Medical Faculty at Birmingham for dissection. His will directs that after the dissection his bones shall be wired together and placed in the Learnington Museum.

SPORT.

Home Football.

STATE OF THE LEAGUE TABLES.

The following are the results of the Home Football matches on 1 the state of the League tables up to and including Jan. 20:—

The League.—Division 1.

Aston Villa	.....	3
Manchester City	.....	1
Everton	.....	3
Liverpool	.....	1
West Bromwich A.	.....	2
Manchester U.	.....	1
Middlesbrough	.....	1
Sheffield Wood	.....	1
Woolwich A.	.....	2
Newcastle United	.....	1
Blackburn Rovers	.....	3
Notts County	.....	1
Oldham Athletic	.....	3
Bolton W.	.....	0
Preston N. End	.....	1
Bury	.....	0
Tottenham H.	.....	0
Sunderland	.....	0

Sheffield United v. Bradford City abandoned.

P.W.L.D.Pts.

Blackburn R.	.....	24	13	0	5	31
Newcastle United	.....	23	13	7	3	29
Everton	.....	23	13	7	3	29
Manchester U.	.....	23	10	7	6	26
Sunderland	.....	24	0	7	8	26
Aston Villa	.....	23	10	8	5	25
Sheffield W.	.....	23	9	8	6	24
Middlesbrough	.....	23	9	7	6	24
Bradford City	.....	22	10	8	4	24
Tottenham H.	.....	22	9	8	5	23
West Brom. A.	.....	22	9	8	5	23
Notts County	.....	22	10	9	3	23
Sheffield United	.....	22	9	9	4	22
Bolton W.	.....	23	10	11	2	22
Liverpool	.....	23	8	11	4	20
Woolwich A.	.....	23	7	10	6	20
Preston N. E.	.....	23	7	11	5	19
Oldham Athletic	.....	22	7	12	3	17
Manchester City	.....	22	5	11	6	16
Bury	.....	21	2	14	5	9

The League: Div. II.

Burnley	.....	5
Hull City	.....	1
Fulham	.....	3
Huddersfield Town	.....	1
Grimsby Town	.....	3
Guiseboro	.....	2
Clapton Orient	.....	2
Leeds City	.....	0
Stockport County	.....	1
Bristol City	.....	0
Wolverhampton W.	.....	3
Chelsea	.....	1

Barnsley v. Glossop, Bradford v. Blackpool, Derby County v. Birmingham, and Leicester Fosse v. Nottingham Forest were abandoned.

P.W.L.D.Pts.

Derby County	.....	22	14	4	2	2
Burnley	.....	23	13	4	6	2
Chelsea	.....	23	13	5	4	31
Hull City	.....	22	13	5	4	0
Whitton W.	.....	23	11	6	0	28
Barnsley	.....	22	10	5	7	27
Clapton Orient	.....	22	12	7	3	27
Fulham	.....	22	11	8	3	25
Grimsby Town	.....	23	9	7	25	
Bradford	.....	21	8	7	6	22
Huddersfield	.....	21	8	8	22	
Nottingham F.	.....	21	8	8	21	
Blackpool	.....	22	8	9	21	
Bristol City	.....	22	6	13	4	16
Stockport County	.....	21	4	10	7	15
Leeds City	.....	22	6	14	3	15
Leicester Fosse	.....	22	5	12	5	15
Birmingham	.....	22	5	13	4	14
Gainsborough T.	.....	21	3	17	13	
Glossop	.....	21	1	12	8	10

Southern League.

Brighton & Hove	.....	4
Leyton	.....	0
Stoke	.....	3
Coventry City	.....	1
Northampton	.....	1
Norwich City	.....	0
Swindon	.....	2
Crystal Palace	.....	1
Bristol Rovers	.....	2
Southampton	.....	0
Plymouth Argyle	.....	2
West Ham	.....	0
Millwall	.....	3
Reading	.....	0
Q. P. Rangers	.....	1
Watford	.....	1
Brentford	.....	7
New Brompton	.....	1
Luton	.....	4
Leeds City	.....	2

P.W.L.D.P.

Swindon	.....	23	17	4	2	36
Queen's Park R.	.....	22	14	4	4	32
Plymouth Argyle	.....	22	12	4	0	30
Northampton	.....	22	12	4	0	30
Crystal Palace	.....	20	10	5	5	25
Millwall Athletic	.....	22	9	6	7	25
Brighton and Hove	.....	22	9	8	5	23
Coventry City	.....	22	10	10	2	22
Watford	.....	21	7	6	8	22
Reading	.....	22	7	7	8	22
Bristol Rovers	.....	21	7	6	8	22
Norwich City	.....	22	8	10	4	20
West Ham United	.....	21	7	9	5	19
Brentford	.....	22	7	10	5	19
Stoke	.....	20	7	9	4	18
Luton	.....	21	5	9	7	17
Southampton	.....	23	5	11	7	17
Exeter City	.....	22	4	12	0	14
New Brompton	.....	21	3	13	5	11
Leyton	.....	21	2	14	5	9

Scottish League.

Clyde	.....	1
Third Lanark	.....	0
St. Mirren	.....	1
Celtic	.....	1
Rangers	.....	2
Aberdeen	.....	0
Partick Thistle	.....	2
Airdrieonians	.....	1
Motherwell	.....	2
Falkirk	.....	0
Heart of Midlothian	.....	2
Morton	.....	0
Queen's Park	.....	1
Dundee	.....	0
Hibernians	.....	2
Kilmarnock	.....	1
Hamilton Acad.	.....	2
Raith Rovers	.....	1

Division 2.

Abercorn	.....	3
Vale of Leven	.....	1
Ayr United	.....	1
St. Johnstone	.....	1
Albion Rovers	.....	4
Port Glasgow	.....	1

P.W.L.D.Pts.

Rangers	.....	24	19	4	1	30
Celtic	.....	27	13	0	8	34
Clyde	.....	26	15	8	3	33
Morton	.....	25	11	7	7	29
Hearts	.....	23	11	0	6	28
Partick Thistle	.....	24	10	8	6	26
Airdrieonians	.....	25	9	8	8	26
Third Lanark	.....	26	10	10	6	26
Dundee	.....	24	9	8	7	25
Aberdeen	.....	24	11	10	3	25
Falkirk	.....	23	9	9	5	23
Hamilton	.....	24	10	10	5	23
Motherwell	.....	23	8	12	3	19
Hibernians	.....	25	8	14	3	19
Kilmarnock	.....	25	8	14	3	19
Raith Rovers	.....	24	7	13	4	18
St. Mirren	.....	24	4	14	0	14
Queen's Park	.....	22	4	14	4	12

GOOD IN EVERYTHING.

We have always followed Shakespeare in trying to find sermons in stones and good in everything. And on the whole we have succeeded. Our trouble is, however, that while it generally requires an enormous expenditure of time and trouble to find the good in anything, the bad is, so to speak, flung in your face so pointedly that it hits you in the eye every time. For instance, take the telephone. A serviceable invention, undoubtedly. Possessed of tact, patience and unlimited self-control, you can, beyond question, put yourself into communication with a friend or another business man at odd times during the day. The thing has been done. So, properly considered, we suppose it may be conceded that there is good in a telephone as in everything else. On the other hand, when you are rung up in the middle of the night by a frantic individual who is trying to get hold of his doctor and has given the wrong number in his hurry, why then the inconvenience of the thing becomes rather too painfully apparent. It is the same with everything else. The bad, we fear, outweighs the good, or at least is much more easily discernible. That is why it is so easy to be a critic; that also is why critics are so universally unpopular, not as men, but as critics. A critic must do his duty, like every other Englishman. And the more conscientiously he does it, the more we dislike him. A sad fate. But a noble profession. And, anyhow, not ours for we are of those who seek to find the good in everything. And in spite of discouragements, we intend to go on trying.—The "Globe."

POST OFFICE.

Only fully prepaid letters and post-cards are transmissible by the Siberian Route to Europe.

The Parcel Post system, to the following places in China is for the present suspended:—Hupoh, Szechuan, Hunan, Kweichow and Tengyueh.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Date	Shanghai
January 24th.	February 9th.
January 27th.	February 13th.

MAILS DUE.

German, York, 22nd inst.
American, Mongolia, 23rd inst.

MAILS CLOSING.

For Bayard and Haiphong.—Per Si-king, 14th Feb., 8 a.m.

Haiphong (taking Mail for Pakhoi).—Per Hanol, 14th Feb., 9 a.m.

Hoihow and Haiphong (taking Mails for Pakhoi).—Per Singan, 14th Feb., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.—Per Hailan, 14th Feb., 10 a.m.

Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama.—Per Nikko-maru, 14th Feb., 11 a.m.

Macao.—Per Sui Tai, 14th Feb., 1.15 p.m.

Batavia, Oberlin, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar.—Per Tjimanock, 14th Feb., 3 p.m.

Amoy.—Per Yunnan, 14th Feb., 3 p.m.

Shanghai.—Per Hwang, 15th Feb., 11 a.m.

Macao.—Per Sui Tai, 15th Feb., 1.15 p.m.

Shanghai.—Per Chialius, 15th Feb., 3 p.m.

Shanghai.—Per Assaye, 15th Feb., 6 p.m.

Batavia, Oberlin, Samarang, and Sourabaya.—Per Tjimanock, 15th Feb., 10 a.m.

Swatow.—Per Haimun, 15th Feb., 10 a.m.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Chinkiang, Br. s.s., 1,220, Metchel, 6th Feb.—Wakamatsu 31st Jan, Gen.—B. & S.

Chiyo Maru, Jap. s.s., 13,420, W. W. Green, 6th Feb.—San Francisco 1st Jan, Mails and Gen.—T. K. K.

Drufar, Nor. s.s., 1,102, J. Hing, 11th Feb.—Bangkok via Swatow 10th Feb., Gen.—Kin. Tay Loong.

Empress of Japan, Br. s.s., 3,010, S. Robinson, n.m.s., 2nd Feb.—Vancouver 11th and Shanghai 30th Jan, Mail and Gen.—O. P. R. Co.

Hanoi, Fr. s.s., 730, O. Bouhio, 31st Jan.—Haiphong via Pakhoi 28th Jan, Gen.—A. B. Marry.

Harding, Br. s.s., 2,976, Comdr. O. M. Buck, n.m.s., 7th Feb.—Kobe via Singa ore 22nd Jan, Ballast.—Order.

Helena, Ger. s.s., 771, O. Borg, 11th Feb.—Hoihow 10th Feb., Gen.—J. & Co.

Hopanz, Br. s.s., 1,350, J. M. Hay, 11th Feb.—Hongkong 8th Feb., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Kiyo Maru, Jap. s.s., 5,757, W. E. Filmer, 7th Feb.—South America 17th Jan, Gen.—T. K. K.

Loftsun, Ger. s.s., 1,020, W. Teibart, 10th Feb.—Bangkok 1st Feb., Rice.—B. & S.

Lycosoon, Ger. s.s., 1,235, V. P. Kikim, 11th Feb.—Saigon 8th Feb., Gen.—H. A. L.

Nikko Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,130, Yagi, 12th Feb.—Macao via Swatow 18th Jan, Gen.—Y. K.

Petobabari, Ger. s.s., 1,373, O. Zoon, n.m.s., 12th Feb.—Bangkok 8th Feb., Gen.—B. & S.

Pongtong, Br. s.s., 997, W. Butcher, 4th Feb.—Bangkok 22nd Jan, Rice.—B. & S.

Quarta, Ger. s.s., 1,145, H. Motson, 5th Feb.—Manila 1st Feb., Tobacco.—S. W. & Co.

Samsco, Ger. s.s., 998, B. Deeren, 11th Feb.—Bangkok: 2nd Feb.; Rice and Gen.—B. & S.

Seattle Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,312, T. Saitow, 11th Feb.—Manila 9th Feb., Gen.—O. S. K.

Si Kiang, Fr. s.s., 616, E. de Catalano, 10th Feb.—Haiphong and Kwanlowan 9th Feb., Gen.—M. M.

Singar, Br. s.s., 1,017, F. Janio on, 9th Feb.—Haiphong 8th Feb., Gen.—B. & S.

Tang Maru, Jap. s.s., 4,027, K. Kawara, 12th Feb.—Shanghai 9th Feb., Gen.—N. Y. K.

Tungus, Nor. s.s., 1,025, O. L. Halver, 9th Feb.—Manila 8th Feb., Ballast.—J. & Co.

Vestfold, Nor. s.s., 1,112, Bertelsen, 11th Feb.—Saigon 8th Feb., Gen.—A. T. K.

Xerina Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,231, J. Kikim, 12th Feb.—M. J. Sri Feb. Coal.—O. S. K.

Yunnan, Br. s.s., 1,120, O. Eddy, 8th Feb.—Manila 4th Feb., Ballast.—B. & S.

SHANGHAI, Siberian Mail to Europe.—Per Aniani, 17th Feb., 6 p.m.

EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TUNICORIN.—(Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon, Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday 16th Feb. at 5 p.m.—Per Himalaya, 17th Feb., 11 a.m.

Manila, Cebu and Hilo.—Per Loong Sang, 17th Feb., 1 p.m.

Macao.—Per Sui Tai, 17th Feb., 1.15 p.m.

Manila, Mangarin, Hilo and Cebu.—Per Zafiro, 17th Feb., 3 p.m.

Kudat and Sandakan.—Per Bora, 17th Feb., 3 p.m.

Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe.—Per Vauwerta, 17th Feb., 1 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.—Per Hailan, 20th Feb., 10 a.m.

Manila, Cebu and Hilo.—Per Kaitong, 20th Feb., 3 p.m.

EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TUNICORIN.—(Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon, Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday, 1st Feb. at 5 p.m.—Per Derlingue, 31st Feb., 11 a.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

The H. A. L. s.s. Suavia left Singapore on the 11th inst., a.m., and may be expected here on the 17th inst., a.m.

The H. A. L. s.s. Sicilia left Shanghai on the 13th inst., a.m., and may be expected here on the 16th inst., a.m.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Mongolia from San Francisco sailed from Yokohama on the 13th inst., en route to Hongkong, and is due to arrive on the 23rd inst.; she will be despatched from Hongkong on the 2nd prox., at 1 p.m., for San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokkaichi, Yokohama and Honolulu.

Loong Sang, Br. s.s., 1,093, Leach, 18th Feb.—Manila 10th Feb., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Borneo, Ger. s.s., 1,344, F. Sembill, 13th Feb.—Sandakan 7th Feb., Timber.—M. & Co.

Lucerio, Br. s.s., 4,100, J. Malipi, 18th Feb.—Manila, P.I. 10th Feb., Gen.—Bank Line.

Tomon Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,001, Y. Yumashita, 13th Feb.—Mojito 5th Feb., Coal.—M. B. K.

Duffon, Br. troopship, 3,914, W. B. Huddleston, n.m.s., 13th Feb.—Karachi via Singapore 28th Jan.

Yawata Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,192, T. Sakino, 18th Feb.—Nagasaki 8th Feb., Gen.—N. Y. K.

Haitan, Br. s.s., 1,181, J. S. Roach, 13th Feb.—Foochow, Amoy and Swatow 12th Feb., Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Mishima Maru, Jap. s.s., 5,270, A. E. Moses, 13th Feb.—London 6th Jan, Gen.—N. Y. K.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOR OFFICE.

Yieldo, for Yokohama.

Tango-maru, for London.

Nani, for Calcutta.

Sido-maru, for Nagasaki.

Shengshing, for Shanghai.

Tean, for Manila.

DEPARTED.

Feb. 13.

Petri, for Tientsin.

Sydney, for Manilla.

Jinsen-maru, for Singapore.

Sido-maru, for Seattle.

Glenohy, for Yokohama.

It's moon, for Liverpool.

It's moon, for Swatow.

Hanggang, for Canton.

Longmont, for Canton.

Wah, for Canton.

Tean, for Manila.

Namsang, for Calcutta.

Indra amba, for Yokohama.

Keengsal, for Swatow.

Indrasambha, for Yokohama.

Seanghoo, for Singapore.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Sydney, arrived 13th Feb., from Shanghai, &c.:—

Antonio, Albino

Band, Comdr.

Boylan, M. T.

Burkitt, O. R.

Dalgarno, W. A.

Deane, O. S.

Pirie, W. G.

Quill, E. M.

Grubham

Hayes, J. A.

Per s.s. Dufferin, arrived 13th Feb., from Kanchoi, &c.:—

Anderson, Lt. G. Lumsden, Major

W.

Cookson, Lt. S. M. L. wien, Major O.

Dydale, Lt. H. B. H.

Dillon, Lt. H. C. Mande, Capt. E. W.

Dipt, A. O.

Saxton, Capt. & Elliot, Capt. and Mrs. P. D.

Mrs. P. W.

Tambal, Capt. G.

Fulton, Lt. J. D.

O.

Hodge, Lt. E. H. Tonie, Lt. F. J. V. s.s.

Walton, Major & (Lt.) W. F. M. L. B.

Hudson, Major Williams, B. d. E.

Miss

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. Rudi, sailed on 10th Feb., for Manila, &c.:—

Adams, Mr. & Mrs. Mickle, D. M.

Chas.

Safer, Miss L. O.

Bai Wan-shung

Chino, K.

Chao Se-cheong

Crowe, W. E.

Douglas, J. M.

Reek, A.

Dy Yang-kist

By Yang-kist

Egbers, E. H.

Fitch, Opt. and Schmid, O.

Mrs. R. S.

Song En-tai

Sago, J.

Grace, Mr. & Mrs. Tan Geng

J. J.

Tan Yanz

Heath, Mr. & M. s.

Trinity, P. F.

H. L.

Tan Tran

Howard, Mr. and Tang Wa

Mrs. W.

Tan Bua

Low Tong

Tan Eng Hia

Liu Q. s.s.

Ty Cans

Luk Sheng

Uy Sh-hean

Ling, Fatah

Wade, A.

Lundwater, Mr. & Young, L. A.

Mrs.

Ye Keng-wa

McOmery, E. A.